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CHAPTER 135

SENATE BILL 1344

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 41-2402, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION.

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 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Section 41-2402, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

41-2402. Drug and gang enforcement account

- A. A drug and gang enforcement account is established within the criminal justice enhancement fund consisting of monies appropriated to the account by the legislature and any other monies available from other sources, public or private, to be used for the purpose of enhancing efforts to deter, investigate, prosecute, adjudicate and punish drug offenders and members of criminal street gangs as defined in section $\frac{13-2301}{13-105}$.
- B. The ARIZONA criminal justice commission shall distribute monies from the drug and gang enforcement account in the following manner:
- 1. Up to thirty FIFTY per cent to fund programs and LAW ENFORCEMENT agencies approved by the commission to enhance BOTH:
- (a) The investigation of drug and gang offenses and related criminal activity.
 - (b) DRUG AND GANG EDUCATION AND PREVENTION PROGRAMS.
- 2. Up to thirty FIFTY per cent to fund programs and agencies approved by the commission to enhance the state, and county, CITY OR TOWN prosecution of drug and gang offenses and related criminal activity.
- 3. Up to ten per cent to fund programs and agencies approved by the commission to enhance the city or town prosecution of drug and gang offenses and related criminal activity.
- 4. 3. Up to thirty per cent to fund programs and agencies approved by the commission for the purpose of enhancing the ability of the courts to process drug and gang offenses and related criminal cases, either through the appointment of judges pro tempore or the establishment of additional divisions of the courts only for the purposes of this section, enhancing defense and probation services, including treatment, and funding the drug testing program.
- 5.4. Up to thirty per cent to fund programs by county sheriffs AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, as approved by the commission, to enhance DRUG OFFENDER TREATMENT PROGRAMS AND the jail operations and facilities available to detain and incarcerate drug offenders and members of criminal street gangs as defined in section 13-2301 13-105.
- 5. UP TO THIRTY PER CENT TO FUND PROGRAMS AND AGENCIES, AS APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION, TO ENHANCE THE INTEGRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE RECORDS RELATING TO DRUG AND GANG OFFENDERS AND THEIR RELATED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY.
- C. Before any monies are expended from the account, the criminal justice commission shall submit to the joint legislative budget committee a plan of proposed expenditures from the account and the anticipated fiscal and operational impact of those expenditures on all state and local agencies.
- D. Any state agency which THAT receives monies allocated from this account shall not include such monies as part of its continuation budget base for the purpose of requesting appropriations for the following fiscal year.

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- E. All the monies allocated from this account shall be dedicated solely to the purpose of enhancing efforts to deter, investigate, prosecute, adjudicate and punish drug and gang and related criminal offenders, except those monies allocated pursuant to subsection H of this section.
- F. Notwithstanding the limitations prescribed in subsection B of this section, any federal monies or matching state monies in the drug and gang enforcement account may only be allocated by the commission pursuant to a plan approved by the federal government.
- G. The auditor general shall annually perform a full and complete audit of the fund or the commission shall annually contract with an accounting firm to perform the audit and deliver a report to the governor and the legislature. The audit shall be charged to the drug and gang enforcement account.
- H. A resource center fund is established consisting of monies received pursuant to section 12-284.03, SUBSECTION A, paragraph 1 and all monies received from public or private gifts, grants or other sources, excluding federal monies and monies to be passed through to other entities, to be used solely for the purpose of funding the Arizona drug and gang prevention resource center. Monies in the fund are subject to legislative appropriation. Any monies unexpended or unencumbered on June 30 of each year shall not be subsequently expended or encumbered unless reappropriated. No monies in the drug and gang enforcement account except those received pursuant to this subsection shall be used to fund the Arizona drug and gang prevention resource center. Monies that are received by the center pursuant to this subsection are subject to the reporting requirements prescribed in section 41-617.01.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 24, 2007.

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